rists visiting the Ajanta-Ellora Caves, the matter is being followed up with the Tourist Development Authorities as well as the Railway Consultative Committee, before eliminating Jal gaon halt and providing instead a halt at Burhanpur.

Increase in quota of slack coal for Gujarat

1639. SHRI VITHALBHAI MOTIRAM PATEL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Gujarat Government has urged the Central Government to increase the quota of slack coal to 2,000 wagons a month; and

(b) whether this request of the State Government has been acceded to?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The quota was enhanced from 130 wagons per month to 260 wagons per month from April to June, 1984. However, during the period January to June 1984, against a recommendation of 2950 wagons by the Government of Gujarat and sanction for 921 wagons by the Railways, programmes for only 374 wagons have been filed by the consumers, leaving an un-utilised quota of 547 wagons.

Conversion of narrow gauge lines to broad gauge

1640. DR. (SHRIMATI) NAJMA HEPTULLA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to convert Murtizapur-Yavatmal, Murtizapur-Achalpur and Palgaon-Arvi narrow gauge lines of Central Railway to broad gauge;

(b) if so, what are the estimated costs of these projects; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) In view of severe constraint of resources and heavy commitments already on hand, the conversion of the Murtizapur-Yavatmal, Murtizapur-Achalpur and Pulgaon-Arvi Narrow Gauge lines into B.G. would have to await consideration in some future time.

Rail link between Vadinar and Mothikhamadi

1641. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state whether Government are considering the feasibility of connecting Vadinar which is being developed as a port to Mothikhamadi by broad gauge line, as requested by the Gujarat Government?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY): No, Sir. There is no such proposal at present.

Irrigation projects in Orissa with World Bank aid

1642. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of irrigation projects in Orissa which are receiving aid from the World Bank;

(b) the amount of World Bank assistance available for completion of those projects during the Sixth Five-Year Plan, so far; and

(c) the progress made in regard to the completion of each of those projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION (SHRI HARI NATH MISHRA): (a) to c) As per Statement attached.

Statement

Name of the Project receiving assistance from World Bank	Latest estimated cost of the Project In Rs. Million)	Amount of credit available to the project	Period of operating Agreement	Expenditure from the State government up to 3/84 (In Rs. Million)	Reimbursement due up to 3/84 (In million US$ as per SAR	Reimbursement received up to 3/84 (In Million US)$
1 Mahanadi Barrage Project Credit No 1078-IN . . .	926 49	US$ 83 Mil.	1980-86	317.467	2.45	15.899
2 Orissa Irrigation Phase-II Credit No 1397-IN .	2713 5	US$ 105 Mil.	1983-87	1304·0	21·1	5·327

Broad gauge lines in Karnataka

1643. SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether he has received a communication from the Karnataka Government regarding lack of broad gauge lines in Karnataka;

(b) whether it is a fact that work on the Bangalore-Mysore broad gauge line has not been completed due to paucity of funds;

(c) whether a proposal has been made for converting Bangalore-Miraj Metre gauge line into Broad gauge line; and

(d) if so, what action Government propose to take thereon?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) Survey report for conversion of Bangalore-Miraj M.G. line along with connected branch lines is under technical scrutiny. A decision on the scheme will be taken after technical scrutiny is completed subject to clearance by the Planning Commission and availability of resources.

Expenditure of new trains

1644. SHRI S. W. DHABE:

SHRIMATI RODA MISTRY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of trains which have been started by the Railways and on which routes during the last one year; and

(b) what expenditure has been incurred by the Railway on this account?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY): (a) During the last one year viz. 1-8-1983 to 31-7-1984, one hundred and thirty eight trains have been introduced. A list of these trains is attached.

(b) Railways do not maintain any record of train-wise expenditure.